



# UConn 4-H RECORD KEEPING



## ANIMAL PROJECT

Use a different Record Sheet for EACH 4-H ANIMAL SPECIES Project

Name Adrian Jones 4-H Program Year 00-00 Age 13

Years enrolled in this project, including this year 5

**(CHECK ONE. You must do a separate sheet for each species of animal)**

Cattle	Horse	Dog	Goat	Llama Alpaca	Poultry	Rabbit/ Cavy	Sheep	Swine	Other
							X		

### PROJECT GOAL

Describe your project in a few sentences. Include steps to achieving your goal. Check the Record Keeping Fact Sheet for tips on creating SMART goals.

My 4-H animal project is my small flock of sheep. I own 4 registered ewes that I bring to local and regional sheep shows.

#### In the beginning of the year

What would you like to learn or achieve about your animal this year?

My goal is to breed two of my sheep for the first time this year.

*During the year*, I will meet this goal by: (Check as many as you plan to do)

Attending 4-H meetings     
  Talking to industry experts     
  Practicing  
 Attending workshops     
  Researching the topic

#### At the end of the year

Did you reach your goal? Yes  No  Partially

If you did not reach your goal or partially reached your goal, what happened?

Explain how you successfully reached your goals.

I bred two of my ewes to a registered ram and they each had a set of twins. I learned a lot about lambing and I am glad that I researched and had help from my 4-H leader.

**ANIMAL INVENTORY** (Attach additional pages as needed)

	Animal 1	Animal 2	Animal 3	Animal 4
Name of Animal	Bramble	Phoebe	Grace	Annabelle
Date of Birth	1/28/2017	2/2/2018	2/9/2019	2/28/2019
Identification (tattoo, ear tag, microchip)	NH 267	CT24-23	CT24-29	NY 13467
Breed	Romney	Romney	Romney	Romney
Sex	Ewe	Ewe	Ewe	Ewe
Owned/Leased Date	5/1/2017	5/6/2018	5/6/2018	5/18/2019
Estimated value at start of project	\$200	\$350	\$350	\$400
Estimated value at end of project year	\$250	\$450	\$450	\$450
Sold/Traded/Died	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

**PROJECT ACTIVITIES**- List project meetings, judging activities, clinics, exhibits, workshops, tours, conferences, shows, exhibiting/volunteering at the 4-H Fair or participating at Eastern States, etc. that you did in your project this year. Include non 4-H events/activities that relate to your project. **Please note in the Activity column if it was a 4-H or non 4-H activity/event.**

Date	Activity	What did you do?	What did you learn?
00/00	CT 4-H Sheep Day (4-H Event)	Attended workshops	Nutrition
00/00	VT 4-H Sheep Camp (4-H Event)	Attended workshops	Fitting meat sheep
00/00	Northeast Youth Sheep Show (non 4-H Event)	Showed my sheep	Fitting
00/00	NLC 4-H Fair (4-H Event)	Sheep Show Superintendent and Participant	Leadership
00/00	Big E 4-H Sheep Show (4-H Event)	Showed my sheep	Showmanship techniques

**PROJECT INCOME** - List income such as sale of offspring, premiums, sale of products, etc.

Date	Explanation	Amount
00/00	Northeast Youth Sheep Show Premiums	\$50
00/00	NLC 4-H Fair Premiums	\$20
00/00	Sold 2 ram lambs	\$400
00/00	County Fair Premiums	\$75
00/00	Sold 2 raw fleeces	\$80
Total		\$625

**CARE OF YOUR ANIMAL- HEALTH AND VETERINARY RECORD-** Your animal depends on you for its basic needs. That means your animal requires regular care. What kind of shots or vaccinations, illnesses, accidents or other things has your animal had this year? Have you trimmed its hair or fur, nails or feet? Do you brush its teeth? Do you have to pay for breeding? List all that information here.

Date	Animal	Treatment Given	Cost
00/00	Whole flock	Wellness check and fecal tests	\$175
00/00	Bramble	Coccidiostat	\$25
00/00	Whole flock	Dewormer	\$30
00/00	Whole flock	Shearing	\$75
Total			\$305

**MISCELLANOUS EXPENSES** - List expenses such as bedding, showing, trailering, class entry fees, new show clothes, new tack, new equipment, lessons, training classes or supplies. Do not list feed and vet care.

Date	Item	Used for	Cost
00/00	Straw	Bedding	\$84
00/00	100% wool fabric	Leadline outfit for shows	\$57
00/00	Entry Fee	VT 4-H Sheep Camp	\$45
00/00	Purple Oil	Conditioning fleece	\$27
00/00	Bucket	Minerals	\$12
Total			\$225

**FEED INFORMATION**- Record the average amount of feed fed per day. Feed expenses are listed per month. This can be a combination of all project animals or separated. Additional pages may be added.

	Type of Feed: Hay		Type of Feed: Grain		Type of Feed: Minerals		Comments
	Amount Fed Daily	Feed Expense (month)	Amount Fed Daily	Feed Expense (month)	Amount Fed Daily	Feed Expense (month)	
Oct.	1 bale	\$186	4 lbs	\$45		\$20 (one bag)	Combination of all animals Minerals are fed ad lib
Nov.	1 bale	\$180	4 lbs	\$30			
Dec.	1 bale	\$186	4 lbs	\$45			
Jan.	1 bale	\$186	4 lbs	\$30			
Feb.	1 bale	\$168	4 lbs	\$45			Lambs born in middle of the month (4 ewes and 4 lambs in the flock now)
Mar.	1 bale	\$204	5 lbs	\$50			Creep feeder for lambs is set up with grain designed for lambs
Apr.	1.5 bales	\$270	5.5 lbs	\$50			Lambs begin to wean and eat hay with mothers
May	1.25 bales	\$232.50	5.5 lbs	\$65		\$20 (one bag)	2 ram lambs are sold; feeding 6 sheep. Still feeding lambs special grain
Jun.	1.5 bales	\$270	5.5 lbs	\$50			Lambs are eating as much as ewes now.
Jul.	1.5 bales	\$279	5.5 lbs	\$50			
Aug.	1.5 bales	\$279	5.5 lbs	\$65			
Sep.	1.5 bales	\$270	5.5 lbs	\$50			
Totals		\$2160.5		\$460		\$40	Yearly Total \$2660.50

**HOW MUCH TIME DO YOU SPEND ON YOUR PROJECT?** Record the amount of time you spend with your project during the year. Use a calendar to record time you spend on your project each day. Then record the monthly totals onto this chart. The three remaining categories are to be used as needed.

	Training Handlin	Housing Care	Grooming	Showing	Lambing season			Total Time Per Month	Comments
Oct.	3	34	4	2				43	Last show of the season
Nov.		33						33	
Dec.		34						34	
Jan.		33						33	
Feb.		30			15			45	Lambing season begins
Mar.		34			10			44	
Apr.	4	37			5			46	Lambs almost ready to be sold
May	8	33						41	
Jun.	15	34	15					64	Show season starts
Jul.	12	34	18					64	Show season
Aug.	12	33	13					46	Show season
Sep.	12	34	10					56	Show season
								Total hours	549

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

I spent this amount of money	I earned this amount of money	The difference between what I spent and what I earned is
\$3,190.50	\$625.00	-\$2,565.50

Would you do anything differently? (Remember the total expenses and income get included in your yearly record sheet.)

I would have sold one of the ewe lambs that was born this year because it was more expensive than I thought to raise lambs. She also didn't do as well in show as I thought she would.

## **YEARLY REVIEW**

List new skills you learned this year.

I learned how to check for mastitis, how to dock lamb tails, and how to feed lambs for the best results.

What challenges did you encounter in your project? How did you resolve them?

I didn't know how to pick out a ram to breed with my ewes because I had never bred my sheep before. I asked for help from my 4-H leader, and she taught me what to look for and how to get in contact with local shepherds.

How will you use what you learned?

I will apply what I have learned to next year's lambing season so I can continue to improve the quality of lambs that I produce.

List 2 safety practices that you followed in this project.

I always wore proper footwear when handling and caring for my sheep. I also washed my hands after handling my sheep so I didn't spread any bacteria or pathogens.

Attach one or two selected photographs or news articles. (optional)